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SUBJECT No. 189.

Housing the poor in the Mysore City.

Mr. C. Narasimhiah, Mysore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—About 6,000 houses have been acquired and demolished in the City of Mysore, but only about a thousand new houses are said to have been built. The compensation amount given to the rest of the house owners has either been taken away by greedy creditors or found insufficient for building new houses. It is very desirable to locate these poor persons in model sanitary houses, the cost being recovered in easy instalments at the same rate as in Savings Bank Deposits.

More extensions may be laid out and sites allotted after constructing roads and drains. More than one site should not be given to a single person, as there are sites which have been taken up and not built upon for a number of years.

Government may grant a loan of about 60 thousand rupees to the Municipal Council for making advances to the people, and for building model houses and selling them to poor people.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies suggested the formation of a Co-operative Building Society and *Mr. Annaiah Pandit* stated that loans could in that case be taken from the Central Co-operative Bank and that houses could be got built through contractors. The population displaced by the operations of the Trust Board might take up such houses and pay the cost by easy instalments.

Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya suggested that houses might be built and sold to poor people on the hire purchase or the insurance system.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 190.

Free access of 3rd class passengers to the platform at Mysore.

Mr. Seetharamiah, Mandya taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The third class gate of the Railway Platform at Mysore is being opened just 10 minutes before the departure of the trains and much inconvenience is thereby caused to passengers in finding accommodation for themselves and for their luggage. It is prayed that free access to the platform be ordered as in the Bangalore Railway Station.